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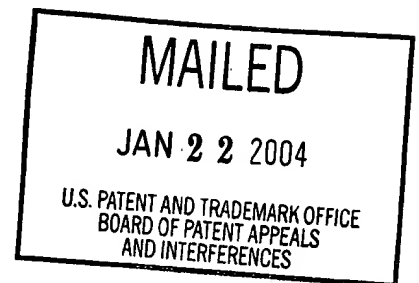
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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
AND INTERFERENCES**

Ex parte YI HU,
C. ALEXANDER TURNER, JR.,
BORIS NEPOMNICHY,
JOHN SCOVILLE, and
D. WADE WALKE

Application No. 09/899,513



ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on December 30, 2003. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below.

The "CONTENTS" portion of the administrative file shows that an Appeal Brief (Paper No. 16) was filed June 19, 2003. However, there is no copy of the Appeal brief in the administrative file. Appropriate correction is required.

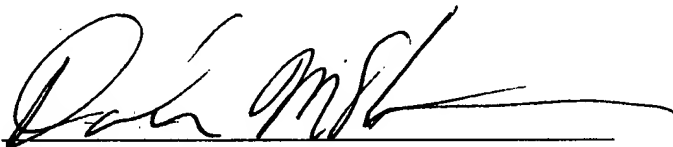
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Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner to provide three copies of the Appeal Brief (Paper No. 16) and for such further action as may be appropriate.

It is important that the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences be informed promptly of any action affecting the appeal (i.e., abandonment, issue, reopening prosecution).

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